
NOTICEBOARD

CHAIR REPORT SEPTEMBER 2022

Not much has happened with FCC since my last Chair report in August, but there has been a world changing event which has affected all of us. The death of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth on the 8th of September came as a shock to the Nation and the rest of the world. Although frail and 96 years of age it still was a surprise that her death came so suddenly. There will be some residents who remember life before the Queen was our Monarch, but there are also many of us who have grown up with the Queen being there. Although some may have met her there are lots of us who did not meet her in person but felt that we did know her, and it is obvious from the outpouring of feelings since her death that she was held in the highest regard. Only a few months ago we were celebrating the enormous achievement of her 70 years as monarch with the Platinum Jubilee Celebrations.

There were many memorable moments from those celebrations, but my favourite memory is that we finally found out what the Queen kept in her handbag. Thanks to Paddington it was revealed that it was a marmalade sandwich for "later". How practical.

The Queen was always able to encourage and give us hope and we will all remember the Christmas messages which she gave and the encouragement at that time to us all. The one recent message which I remember was given during Covid when the Queen gave us all the support and encouragement we required at

such a dark time for the world, and her words of "we will all meet again" confirmed that she had hope that the future would be brighter. This has been the case and in the months to come we will all need to remember her encouraging words.

I am struck by the volume of people from all over the world who wish to make their way to Scotland, or London to bring their good wishes and support for the Royal Family. We have seen the end of one chapter in history as the Queen was the longest reigning Monarch, and possibly the only

Monarch who will reign for that length of time. The bonus of modern technology is that we can all be involved in the story as it unfolds and see our new Monarch King Charles III take his place as part of history. This is a time to reflect, but as it has been said so many times over the last few days, we are taking part in history which we can share with our children, grandchildren, and hopefully great grandchildren.

Best wishes

Karen

Chair FCC



FERINTOSH COMMUNITY COUNCIL

**MONTHLY MEETING TO BE HELD IN FERINTOSH HALL (also online) AT
7.15 PM ON WEDNESDAY 21 SEPTEMBER 2022**

AGENDA

1. **PRESENT AND APOLOGIES**
2. **MINUTES /MATTERS ARISING /DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST /ACTIONS OUTSTANDING**
3. **WRITTEN FINANCIAL REPORT**
4. **MAIN DISCUSSION: Kenny Rogers, NHS Highland Mid Ross District Manager: To hear the community's views on our local Health and Social Care Services.**
5. **PLANNING /LICENSING MATTERS**
6. **ACTIVE PROJECTS**
7. **REPORTS**
8. **CORRESPONDENCE AND REQUESTS**
9. **INTERACTION WITH RESIDENTS**
10. **AOCB**
11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 12 October at 7.15pm, Mulbuie Hall**

Bruce Morrison –01349 877127; contact ferintoshcc30@gmail.com to receive minutes

Noticeboard: <http://fb.me/Ferintosh>; Website: <http://www.ferintoshcc.co.uk>

October meeting main discussion: Dafydd Jones, Senior Planner

Culbokie Community Market

Indoor market and café in Findon Hall

Saturday 15th October, 19th November 1000-1200
Don't forget to get your Christmas gifts in November.

Always great opportunity to buy local produce, bread/patisserie items, cakes, chocolate etc. or various locally made craft items and plants
(Food vans still outside 1000-1100)

- **Enjoy a cuppa, cake/bacon roll and a chat in the café**

Make it a date and support our local producers

Outdoors Every Saturday 10.00-11.00

Car Park beside the Church
High quality local food

Fish and meat and much more

Culbokie Sharing Shed Open **Every Day 0900-1800, Wed to** **2000 beside Church**

Over the last few weeks Sharing Shed has been well provided with locally grown fresh fruit and vegetables, which have been snapped up quickly. Many thanks to all our gardeners for their tasty donations. We have been able to maintain the stock of non-perishable food and household items throughout the summer with donations from local folk, Culbokie Primary and FareShare. We have also managed to secure a little funding to help us to maintain provision over the coming year, but doing our weekly top-up to donated items. As we move into the autumn please have a look and see if you have any unwanted Hallowe'en items, jigsaws, craft materials etc. to help keep folk busy in the darker evenings. Books, toys and games etc are always welcome too. If there are specific needs within the community then please

let us know. All monetary donations help provide additional food items. Please donate if you can when you borrow or take an item from the shed.

(Donations can be placed in the bins at the back but please ensure items are complete, in date, clean and no clothes/shoes/material etc)

Thanks to all for their continued support. It's good to see so many folk reusing and recycling so many items locally in our lovely little shed.

There are now over 160 Facebook members - you can join and keep up-to-date with what's available join the Culbokie Sharing Shed group on Facebook at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/343545136916931/> . Further information can be found on the CCT website: www.culbokiect.org

Fifth Element Productions
presents
THE RIOT OF RESOLIS
by Jon Palmer
with music by Marjorie Paterson
'Ingenious... a real sense of what it was like to be there'. Highland News & Media

Friday October 28th
7.30pm
Findon Hall, Culbokie

For a visual and aural treat inspired by real events on the Black Isle, join us for a great evening of entertainment. After the show, meet the cast and production team and enjoy home baking. Bring a cushion for extra comfort!

Tickets available from Culbokie Spar and online from www.culbokiect.org

Culbokie QUIZ NIGHT

Saturday, September 24th
7pm for 7.30pm
Findon Hall, Culbokie


Maximum 4 per team
Entry £20 per team or £5 for individuals.
Fees simply collected on the night.

Register your team or part-team now by emailing
event@culbokiect.org

No team? No matter. Just contact us and we will create teams for you to join

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Snacks, coffee and tea will be available in the break between rounds, but you're encouraged to bring your own bottle and nibbles for inspiration!

In aid of Culbokie Green  Culbokie Community Trust

www.culbokiechurchcentre.org

Every Tuesday - Church Cafe - 1.30pm to 3.45pm

Every Wednesday - Line Dancing - 10am - 11.30am - Linda Lindsay.

Friday evenings - On-line Prayer meeting linked with Cromarty. Further details from Martin Stringer.

Thursday - Walking Group meets at 10am CCC.

September

Sunday 11th - 10.30 am Morning Service from Culbokie Church Centre. No live-streaming. Rev. Carol Rattenbury.

Wednesday 14th - Prayer and Bible Study 6.30 pm led by Rev. Mike Rattenbury. This will run for 6 weeks with the theme "A theology of Childhood."

Sunday 18th - Joint Service of Remembrance for our Late Majesty Queen Elizabeth, 10.30am at Cromarty West Church, led by Rev. Carol Rattenbury.

Thursday 22nd - 7.30pm. THE WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP warmly invite the congregation and friends to join us for the next instalment of Alastair Rose's "Travels in the Merchant Navy". His talk at 'Man Friday' in 2019 was attended by about 30 people and was greatly enjoyed. We look forward to welcoming you.

Sunday 25th - 10.30 am Morning Service live-streamed from Culbokie Church Centre. Rev. Hector Morrison.

The Black Isle Photo Competition 2022

BIPC 2022

Winners

Thank you to all those who entered Culbokie Community Trust's fourth Black Isle Photo Competition this summer. The high standard of over 100 entries truly reflected this year's theme, 'My Beautiful Black Isle.' The competition was open to everyone, regardless of age or level of experience in photography.

The winners were presented with prizes generously donated by sponsors ARK Estates (Scotland) Ltd., Culbokie Stores Ltd. and Culbokie Inn at an enjoyable event, a Photo Festival and Cream Tea, at Findon Hall on Saturday August 27th. Two of the competition's judges, Mark, Jane and Dave Walsh, gave constructive feedback to the prize winners, and useful photography hints and tips for us all to take on board; a variety of photography books from Waterstones and Picaresque provided great interest; and the children explored Findon Hall Garden in a lively Photo Scavenger Hunt.

Besides an exhibition of several photos, all entries are shown on a video which is accessible from a link on the Culbokie Community Trust website, [Culbokie Community Trust | Photographic Competition 2022 \(culbokie.org\)](http://CulbokieCommunityTrust|PhotographicCompetition2022(culbokie.org))

Camera category

1st Prize: 'Parked Up' by David May

2nd equal Prize: 'Aurora' by Nora Watson

2nd equal Prize: 'Monadh Mor Dawn' by Maarten de Vries

Phone category

1st Prize: 'Rainbow's End' by Kirsty Shaw

2nd Prize: 'Sunset over the Cromarty Firth' by Morag Wilson

3rd equal Prize: 'Field of Gold' by Anna Brian

3rd equal Prize: 'Newly Weds Sunset' by Flora Thomson

13 and under category

1st Prize: 'Mummy and the View' by Ava Brian

2nd Prize: 'Sea Thrift' by Ava Brian

3rd Prize: 'Lying on the Beach' by Nereida Rodriguez

BIPC 2022 Winners Photographs



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↑ **13 and under Category - 1st Prize: 'Mummy and the View'** by Ava Brian

Camera Category - 1st Prize: 'Parked Up' by David May



Join 'The Green Team'

Now Culbokie Green is up-and-running, CCT is keen to make it as interesting, biodiverse and beautiful as it can be – and also a place of meeting, fun, creativity and sociability.

Would you be interested in becoming part of our 'Green Team' – a group of people who help us to manage the area? We have just started up - and we now have regular work parties every Thursday afternoon from 2pm to 4pm. We need volunteers of all types and abilities.

- Let us know if you think you might be interested so we can keep you informed of what is going on. To register interest contact info@culbokiect.org
- No need to feel you would be committed every week - just come along when it suits you
- Bring a hot/cold drink and we'll have a sociable break at some point during the afternoon. We'll provide the biscuits!
- Varied tasks such as seed sowing, weed pulling/digging, mowing, pruning, mulching and small construction jobs.
- One particular task is to establish the bee and butterfly meadow which covers a large part of the area
- Skills sharing so we can all benefit from what others know.
- No gardening skills needed
- Wet weather tasks can be done under the shelter - such as tool maintenance, skills sharing, training in tool use, planning new projects or just sharing our stories
- All you need are some gardening shoes and clothes that match the weather. Bring gardening gloves if you have them. We can provide everything else
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It would be helpful if you could let us know you're coming so we can plan for numbers and let you know if we have to cancel for any reason. But, if you prefer, just turn up!

Penny Edwards
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With pride and with Honour we will always cry... God bless you dear Elizabeth and Long Love Our Queen

Her Majesty The Queen

1926-2022

The West Church, Cromarty and Culbokie Church Centre will be holding
A JOINT SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE AND PRAYER FOR OUR LATE QUEEN ELIZABETH II.

The communities of Cromarty and Culbokie are warmly invited to join us at 11am on Sunday 18th September at the West Church, Cromarty.

Tea, coffee and cake will be available after the service.

CHURCH OF SCOTLAND Charity No: SC006666 S M Tickner Session Clerk

Gardeners' Question Time
 Presented by Munro's Nurseries in conjunction with Groam House Museum
Thursday October 6th 6.30pm for 7.00pm
 at **Munro's Nurseries & Coffee Shop**
Admittance by Tickets £10 - Including Refreshments
 Tickets available from Munro's Nurseries and Groam House Museum



Culbokie Indoor Bowling Club

Every Wednesday 7.30 —10pm
 from October 5th
 at Findon Hall, Culbokie

New members welcome

- All levels, beginners and experienced players
- Friendly team matches, home and away,
- Bowling trips to Inverness Centre

Club nights start on Wednesday October 5th

Join us for the opening night and a chat over wine and nibbles before our first bowls session of the season

For further details, please contact:

June Coleman: 01349 877502 / Willie Gunn: 01349 877497



10.00 to 12.00

CULBOKIE Community Market

Findon Hall, Culbokie



www.culbokiect.org

Saturday 17th September 2022

Indoor/outdoor market and café in Findon Hall

Lots of high quality local food and crafts
Pro Fish/Highland Prime
Jo's Plants/Cheese House (outside)

Enjoy a coffee/bacon roll/home baking and a chat

Please come along and support our traders.

To book a stall or for information about the market email Sylvie Main at market@culbokiect.org

What a whirlwind week it has been. I'm sure very few of us ever thought we would witness a change of Prime Minister and a new Monarch within the same week. Karen Marcus, Chair of FCC, has reflected on these events in her Chair report.

Here at the Noticeboard, we have a change of Editor as I take over from Eilidh. For now, we are returning to the five issues a year format. Mindful of the continuing climate crisis we find ourselves in, we will remain a mostly electronic newsletter. I am conscious though, that not everyone is online, so we will be printing off a number of copies and leaving them in public venues across the Ferintosh area.

I would also like YOUR assistance in helping people who are new to the area find out about the Noticeboard and the FCC email address. At the bottom of this page, you will find a section that can be cut out. If you have new neighbours, and you're able to do so, please would you print out the back page and pop the cut out section through their door. Alternatively, you can email me at becky@brachla.co.uk and let me know which door I need to pop a notice through. This way, we can reduce our paper, ink and electricity usage and play a small part in looking after our planet.

I'm looking to broaden the content of the Noticeboard, so if you're involved with a community group, parent council or Church and you have events to advertise, please get in touch. The deadline for the next newsletter is Friday 28th October, 2022 and will cover events taking place in November, December and January. Equally, if you have an interesting story to tell, I'd love to hear from you too.

If you follow the astronomical season, enjoy these last few days of summer. It's feeling a bit more autumnal now, but I hope you've all been reaping the benefits of this continuing lovely weather. The harvest is almost in and our farmers have been incredibly busy. Those with fruit and veg patches have also been enjoying bumper crops and it's lovely to see some of the excess produce making its way to the Sharing Shed. If you've not visited the Shed yet, give it a go. It's well worth a visit.

On a final note, don't forget the clocks go back an hour on Sunday 30th October. Enjoy that extra hour, however you choose to spend it.

All the best

Becky



Welcome to the community. We have a community newsletter called the Noticeboard. If you would like to receive an electronic copy, please email becky@brachla.co.uk and we can add you to the list.

We have a very active community council. If you would like to be kept up to date with their activities and included on the Ferintosh Community Council email list, please email:

ferintoshcc30@gmail.com